



CITY OF SEQUIM *News*



July 2014

Meeting Dates & Locations

City Council Regular Meeting Transit Center	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Transit Center (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	Next Meeting July 15
Parks and Recreation Board PW—615 N. 5th Ave.	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Transit Center Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting August 29 10:00 a.m.

Mid-Year Financial Review

The review will be presented to the Sequim City Council at the July 28 Council Meeting. The meeting begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Sequim Transit Center located at 190 W. Cedar Street.



The Annual Water Quality Report is complete. To read the report visit
[www.sequimwa.gov/](http://www.sequimwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5177)
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"Coffee with the Mayor"

Sequim residents can meet informally with Sequim Mayor Candace Pratt on Thursday, July 17, The Oak Table Café, located at 292 W. Bell St. at 8:30 a.m.

Due to the holiday, there will be no meeting on July 3. The Mayor will be at a different published location each month to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Please contact Candace Pratt at (360) 582-0114 or cpratt@sequimwa.gov with questions.



Additional City Council Office Hours

Members of the Sequim City Council are now available to meet with Sequim residents from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Mondays, as well as the hours established last month, Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Sequim residents can stop by the City Administrative offices at 226 N. Sequim Avenue to meet and discuss ideas and concerns. No appointment is necessary.

Upcoming Public Hearings

July 28 —1) 6 Year TIP

2) Adoption of TBD ordinance adopting updated TIP



City Offices will be closed on Friday, July 4 in observation of Independence Day.

Music in the Park

Join us each Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. throughout the summer to hear new groups and old favorites. Bring your chair or blanket, and a picnic, and enjoy an evening of music at the James Center for the Performing Art, at the Water Reuse Demonstration Site, 563 Blake Avenue.



July 1—Ranger and the Re-Arrangers
July 8—Locos Only
July 15—The Strait Shots
July 22—Young Fiddlers
July 29—Joy in Mudville
August 5—3rd Annual Sequim Karaoke Night
August 12—Stardust
August 19—Twisted Roots
August 26—Navy Band Northwest

Thank you Presenting Sponsor—Kitsap Bank

It's Tourist Time!



It's summer and that means tourism for Sequim. Over the next couple of months, we will welcome thousands of visitors who come to enjoy local lavender farms, sporting events, and the great outdoors. Please be aware of the increase in pedestrian traffic and keep in mind there will be some street closures to accommodate events. Upcoming events include:

July 18—20—Sequim Lavender Weekend
August 1—3—Dungeness Cup Soccer Tournament
August 2—3—Tour de Lavender
August 9—Fire District #3 Centennial Celebration



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VOLUNTEER CORNER

Meet Volunteer Coordinator Pamela Leonard—Ray

When Pam retired from her management position in higher education and moved last June with her husband and four pets to Sequim from South Carolina, she looked at the experience as an opportunity to reinvent herself and let a new direction grab her.



“The reality of that first summer here was that without the structure of a work schedule, I was lost,” Pam said.

She looked for volunteer opportunities that offered a regular schedule and were a good fit for her skills and interests. When she saw the announcement for the volunteer position of Volunteer Coordinator for the City, she realized that she had experience to fit the position, and liked the idea of being in charge of something.

Pam believes that volunteering is important because it gives people the opportunity to give their valuable time and energy in a way that suits them. It also helps them connect with people who have similar interests and helps them to belong. Volunteers are very important to organizations because many local non-profits, cities, and counties could not accomplish their mission without the help of volunteers.

“Volunteers help our community be a great place to live and work,” she explained.

Volunteers are very important to the City of Sequim. In the first five months of 2014, approximately 40 volunteers have contributed over 1300 hours of their time to help the City in capacities from garden stewardship, planting strips and trail maintenance, file scanning, event organization, park hosts, and serving on boards and commissions.

The City is currently looking for volunteers to help with:

- Terrace Gardens at the Water Reuse Demonstration Site
- The low-maintenance Fuchsia Garden at Bell Creek Plaza
- Clerical Assistance/Community Outreach
- People who would like to fill an unmet need
- Groups or individuals who are looking for a service project

If you are interested in volunteering for the City, please contact Pam Leonard-Ray at (360) 582-2447 or pleonard-ray@sequimwa.gov or City Clerk, Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.

Coming Soon—On-line Utility Billing

Utility bills and the ability to pay utility bills by check, debit card, or credit card, will be available on-line later this summer. Stop by the City Finance Office at 609 W. Washington St., Suite 17, call 360-683-4139 or email us at utilpay.sequimwa.gov to update your e-mail address to be part of this exciting new option.



Foundation Work Continues on the Civic Center Project

Foundation work continues on the new Civic Center this month. It is expected that the first floor slabs should be complete in the month of July.

To keep the community informed of progress on the Civic Center Project, the City is posting weekly updates to the City of Sequim website www.sequimwa.gov.

There will be no neighborhood meeting in July. The next meeting will be on August 21 at 5:00 p.m. at the Sequim Transit Center, 190 W. Cedar Street.

Please contact City Engineer David Garlington at (360) 683-4908 or dgarlington@sequimwa.gov with questions.



New Date Available for Utility Bill Automatic Pay

Simplify your life and sign up to have your utility bill paid with a direct debit to your checking account. We now have two dates available, the 10th or the 20th of each month. Adding the second date (the 20th) will hopefully allow additional customers to utilize this service to pay bills on time while increasing control over their personal or business checking accounts.

Forms are available on-line at <http://www.sequimwa.gov/documentcenter/view/336> or come into the City Finance Office at 609 W. Washington St., Suite 17. Your Finance Team will need a copy of a voided check and a signed authorization to help set you up.

Sequim Parks Trivia

Summer is a Busy Time for City Parks!

Do you know what's available? Find out by taking our quiz below. Look for Sequim Parks Trivia each month in the newsletter, “like” the City of Sequim Government facebook page or go to www.sequimwa.gov to learn more.

1) Which Park has soccer fields?

- A. Carrie Blake
- B. Water Reuse Demonstration Site
- C. June Robinson Memorial
- D. Dr. Standard

2) What Park holds a skateboard course?

- A. Water Reuse Demonstration Site
- B. Gerhardt
- C. Centennial Place
- D. Carrie Blake

3) Which Parks are gardening spots? (choose 2)

- A. Kirner
- B. June Robinson Memorial
- C. Dr. Standard Park
- D. Water Reuse Demonstration Site

Answers: 1) B 2) D 3) B & D